

OPINION 707

ASTERIAS NODOSA LINNAEUS, 1758 (ASTEROIDEA): ADDED TO THE OFFICIAL LIST OF SPECIFIC NAMES

RULING.—(1) The generic name *Protoreaster* Döderlein, 1916 (gender : masculine), type-species, by original designation, *Asterias nodosa* Linnaeus, 1758, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1596.

(2) The following specific names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) *clavatus* Müller & Troschel, 1842, as published in the binomen *Oreaster clavatus* (Name No. 1985);

(b) *nodosa* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Asterias nodosa*, as defined by the lectotype designated by A. M. Clark, 1962 (type-species of *Protoreaster* Döderlein, 1916) (Name No. 1986).

(3) The generic name *Pentaceros* Schroter, 1782 (published in a work rejected for nomenclatorial purposes) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1700.

(4) The following entry is hereby made on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Works in Zoological Nomenclature with the Title Number 70:

Schroter (J. S.), 1782. *Musei Gottwaldiani testaceorum, stellarum marinarum et coralliorum quae supersunt tabulae*. Nürnberg. (Rejected for nomenclatorial purposes because the author did not apply the principles of binominal nomenclature).

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1493)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission in August 1961 by Miss A. M. Clark. Miss Clark's application was sent to the printer on 20 October 1961 and was published on 28 May 1962 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 174–176. The application was supported by Prof. H. Barraclough Fell, Drs. W. I. Follett and Lillian J. Dempster (*Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **20** : 262–263), Dr. F. J. Madsen, Prof. E. Tortonese, Prof. H. Engel.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 24 October 1963 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (63)27 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 175–176 and supplemented in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **20** : 263. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 24 January 1964 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-eight (28), received in the following order: China, Hemming, Brinck, Hering, Holthuis, Vokes, Bonnet, Mayr, Tortonese, Hubbs, Riley, Jaczewski, Boschma, Stoll, Lemche, Uchida, Simpson, Borchsenius, Miller, do Amaral, Alvarado, Binder, Forest, Obruchev, Mertens, Ride, Sabrosky, Evans.

Negative votes—one (1): Kraus.

Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Munroc.

Commissioner C. W. Sabrosky made the following comment in returning his Voting Paper: "I vote for this application but would insist that neither the original application nor the supplement should have come before the Commission at all. These are straight applications of the Code, and could be done in an ordinary zoological publication without burdening the Commission."

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on the Official Lists and Indexes by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

clavatus, *Oreaster*, Müller & Troschel, 1842, *System der Asteridien* : 49

nodosa, *Asterias*, Linnaeus, 1758, *Syst. Nat.* (ed. 10) **1** : 661

Pentaceros Schroter, 1782, *Musei Gottwaldiani testaceorum* : 58

Protoreaster Döderlein, 1916, *Zool. Jahrb.*, Syst. **40** : 420-424

The following is the original reference for the designation of a lectotype for a species concerned in the present Ruling:

For *Asterias nodosa* Linnaeus, 1758: A. M. Clark, 1962, *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 175

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (63)27 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 707.

W. E. CHINA

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